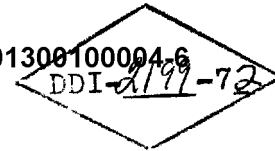


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7 August 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : The Joint Weeka

1. This is in response to your request for specific recommendations with regard to the revival of the Joint Weeka.

2. The attached review of The Joint Weeka shows that it made a particularly useful contribution to the production of political intelligence, but its contribution to military intelligence was marginal for most countries. Our review of the current situation shows that many missions are now cabling weekly summaries which are a good substitute for certain aspects formerly covered by The Joint Weeka. This is particularly true with respect to economic information.

3. On this basis we recommend that The Joint Weeka be reinstituted but on a selective basis both with respect to country and to topic. Specific guidelines for implementing this recommendation as follows:

- a. The Joint Weeka should be revived for political reporting from all countries except the following from which present reporting mechanisms have proved to be adequate:

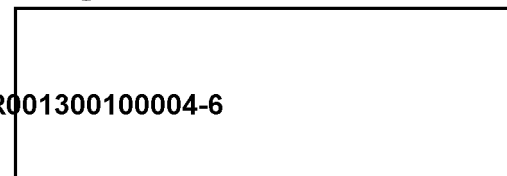


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A further qualification to the need for periodic political reporting is that for the countries of southern and western Africa our need could be satisfied by monthly or quarterly reporting.

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- b. The few countries for which Joint Weeka  
economic reporting should be revived are:



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- c. Given our reliance on other sources for military  
intelligence, we would recommend that a revived  
Joint Weeka only from the USSR include a military  
section.



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